

**PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re the Application of

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For: HYDROLYZING/DEHYDRATION CONDENSING ENZYMES, METHOD FOR  
PRODUCING THE ENZYME AND METHOD FOR SYNTHESIZING AMIDE BY  
USING THE ENZYME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**